



## Auto theft crackdown begins here

A new effort to crack down on auto theft began July 5 with a program to audit salvage yards, auto repair and rebuilders, shops and scrap processors for stolen vehicles and parts.

The program is funded by an \$81,000 grant from the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council. The grant creates a 35-member audit team, which will conduct audits of nearly 3,000 companies in the coming year.

Illinois' auto theft rate has risen for the last three years, growing into a crime that costs state residents about \$400 million annually, Secretary of State George Ryan said.

"This new initiative gives us the ability to investigate for auto theft in places where we haven't had the resources to look before."

The program, administered by secretary of state police, focuses on the 5,700 repairers, rebuilders, salvage yards and scrap processors licensed by Ryan's office.

Companies to be audited will be selected randomly, Ryan said. He expects that the word will spread.

"The vast majority of these dealers are legitimate. Our main goal is to dry up the market for stolen vehicles and essential parts to force the dealers to clean up their acts," Ryan said.

"We also think this will make borderline dealers think twice before taking a chance on accepting stolen parts or vehicles."

Reported motor vehicle thefts in Illinois rose 3.4 percent in 1990 to a record 74,740, with more than 45,000 in Chicago alone.

The audit effort initially will be concentrated in the metropolitan areas of Chicago, Rockford, Joliet, Peoria and East St. Louis.

The program is the largest funded to far by the 11-member theft prevention council, which was named last year to oversee a special fund to fight auto theft.

As of Jan. 1, 1991, the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act began requiring all auto liability insurance companies to pay an annual fee for each passenger vehicle they insure in Illinois.

Insurance carriers expect to recoup the fees through reductions in theft claims.

Under a sunset clause, the act will be repealed effective Jan. 1, 1996, unless legislation is passed to extend it.

The current program was postponed after a similar effort in Michigan, which cut auto thefts 10 to 12 percent and prompted about a 10 percent decrease in comprehensive insurance premiums.

## Time capsule



From the past — Elbert Haugher brought in his largest sweet potato to the Press Record in the early 1950s.

## Police log

### Granite City

#### Domestic charge arrest

Michael D. Boyer, 31, of Cahokia was arrested by the Madison Police Department at 8:43 a.m. July 15 on a domestic battery warrant. He was released after posting \$300 cash as bail.

#### Madison Avenue arrest

Leanne S. Spink, 27, of Granite Drive was arrested at 1:21 a.m. July 15 and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol.

Philip told officers that a 15-year-old boy jumped out in front of his car, which as Philip was making a turn onto State Street from 23rd Street.

Witnesses told police they saw the incident, and that Phillip had been driving.

Philip was charged and was released after posting \$107 and his driver's license as bail.

#### DUI arrest on State St.

Donald J. Phillip, 41, of the 3100 block of West Chain of Rocks Road was arrested at 8:39 p.m. July 15 and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol.

Officers dispatched to the 2200 block of State Street found a tan Toyota Celica van parked in the middle of the street with the engine running, and Phillip standing next to it.

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## What's New Coming In Your Journal

### Eticam

Plans for Eticam to move into Granite City continue to meet opposition from some area residents. Watch your Journal and Press-Record for the full story.

### School honors

With the school year ended, local students are being honored for their achievements of the past session. See the Journal and Press-Record for all the news.

## NEWS

# Riverboat gambling may be reducing horse racing revenue

Riverboat gambling is giving horse racers and breeders a run for their money.

Breeders claim the riverboats are taking customers and money away from the horse racing industry.

And casino gambling in Chicago might add to the hurt.

"A person only has a certain amount of money to gamble with," said Pat McNamee, Illinois Thoroughbred Breeders and Owners Foundation secretary.

"What we're saying is that people are going to have to choose between casinos and horse racing."

Gamblers put down \$89.1 million at the betting windows at Fairmount Park in Collinsville in 1991.

After the Alton Belle Casino opened in September 1991, the yearly Fairmount betting revenue fell 10 percent.

For the first four months of 1992, the Fairmount wagering decreased 19 percent from a year ago, Fairmount officials said.

In addition to riverboat competition, horse racing industry may have to compete with land-based casinos.

Caesars World Inc., Circus Circus Enterprises Inc. and Hilton Hotels Corp. want to build

four casinos in the entertainment complex in O'Fallon.

Corporation officials said the casinos would produce 20,000 permanent jobs and generate \$500 million in revenue. State law would have to be changed before the plan becomes a reality.

But horse racers and breeders say the projected benefits are not enough to offset losses in their industry.

About \$1.36 billion in revenue, 21,000 jobs and \$72 million in taxes from the horse racing and breeding industry are in jeopardy.

"We support the riverboats," said McNamee.

Even a report paid for by the Chicago Gaming Commission confirms breeders' fears. The report said people would spend \$1.5 million less in Downstate Illinois and 2,000 jobs would be lost by the year 2000 if casinos opened in Chicago.

"The horse industry provides much work," Whitworth said.

"We support the riverboats. We buy feed. We build fences. We support all kinds of auxiliary sources."

But John Reichert, spokesman for the Alton Belle, said the Belle wasn't trying to compete with race tracks.

"We provide an alternative form of entertainment," he said.

### Prepared childbirth classes offered

The Obstetrics Department at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave., Granite City, is offering classes in prepared childbirth for expectant mothers every Saturday October 10, 17, 24, 31. Cost is \$150, delivered at SEMC and \$100 if delivered elsewhere.

The six-week series for prospective fathers and mothers includes relaxation and breathing techniques, discussion of labor and delivery, medications and Caesarean sections, an introduction to parenting and breastfeeding, and a tour of the OB Department. Pre-registration is required.

Tuesday sessions begin July 28; Wednesday sessions begin July 29; Thursday sessions begin July 30. All sessions will meet from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the OB Solarium on the second floor of the Doctors Wing at SEMC.

Parents who have had the Lamaze technique within the past two years and are expecting again, their child should plan to attend the first evening of the Lamaze class. An instructor will assist in determining which of the other classes should be attended.

Women anticipating their second or third Caesarean section should attend the fifth evening of any Lamaze series. For more information call SEMC Obstetrics Department at 796-3040.

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Doug Bybee, with the Illinois Gaming Board, estimates the five Illinois riverboats, the Alton Belle, Peoria's Par'A Dice, the Rock Island and the new Jet Empire, and Jo Daviess County's Silver Eagle, provide about \$200 million.

So far this year, the horse have paid about \$19.5 million in taxes.

From the Alton Telegraph

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# Bill to help middle-income families with college expenses

With a few strokes of his pen, President Bush could help ease the load for middle-income Metro East residents paying the freight for a college education.

A bill reauthorizing the Higher Education Act, which contains provisions to make loans and grants more accessible to middle-income families, is awaiting Bush's signature.

Richard Drennen, assistant vice president for admission and retention at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, said about 9,000 students apply for aid but only 6,000 qualify. The remaining 3,000 would be eligible under the bill.

The bill, which is expected to be signed, changes the eligibility requirements for federally guaranteed loans and grants.

"All students, regardless of their families' incomes, can now get student loans. Middle-class

families will no longer be left out," said David Carle, press aide for U.S. Sen. Paul Simon, who sponsored the bill.

The bill gives a break to middle-income families who do not meet the current income guidelines for Stafford Loans, paid for through private banks but guaranteed by the federal government.

Instead of being shut out of the program, families would be required to pay the interest on the loans while students were in college. For people meeting income guidelines, principal and interest payments start six months after the student graduates or drops out.

Changes made under the bill should make many people happy, but there are drawbacks, Swapp said.

"It's going to make more people eligible for one

type of aid or another. But I'm not sure if the government will have any more money to go around, and it might dilute the grant and loan awards or it could hurt other programs like the work study program."

Another provision in the bill is a pilot loan program that would allow selected colleges and universities to directly offer government loans to students.

Between 300 and 400 institutions appointed by the secretary of education will be able to offer loans directly from the government to their students and students from about a third of those schools will have the opportunity to pay the loans back based on their incomes after graduation.

The program has such clear advantages, there will likely be more than enough schools volunteering for the program," Carle said.

Advantages of the direct loan program will include greater eligibility, better interest rates than those offered by banks, and lower default rates because repayment will be deducted from former students' salaries.

Also in the bill, people who have defaulted or are in danger of defaulting on student loans will have an easier time complying with loan agreements.

Those who defaulted will have the loans collected on an income-contingent basis, and the federal government will buy loans in danger of default under income-contingent repayments for the borrowers.

Under the bill, the formula for calculating need will also change. There will be only one formula, instead of one for each program.

From the Alton Telegraph

## Mural will be placed in administration building

By Nicole Vaughn  
Staff writer

A picture was truly worth a thousand words Wednesday as Madison County historians debated where to hang a historic mural.

The mural was donated to the Madison County Historical Society a few years ago by the Mark Twain Bank when its old building was demolished.

The MCHS, which asked that the county place it in the new county government administration building in Edwardsville, according to Nick Hamilos, D-Glen Carbon.

"School kids will come from all over to see that mural," said Hamilos. "This is the place that it should be, where it will be seen by more people in the county in the most accessible building in this

The mural depicts Illinois Gov. Ninian Edwards of Madison County signing a peace treaty with a group of American Indians at Fort Russell in 1819.

It's Jack Frandsen-D-Alhambra, said that other than planned, for the mural to be placed in the building's cafeteria.

"As many people would see it in the cafeteria as would see it in the hall," Frandsen said. "After we had our open house, we had several people ask me not to let it go into the hall, of the new building get all cluttered up."

But Tony Bosich, D-Glen Carbon, said the 18-foot by 7-foot mural was too big for the cafeteria wall and would drape onto the floor, where it could be stepped on, hit with chairs or defaced.

"Let it go on the second floor (of the administration building)," Bosich said. "We agreed to it and that's where it should go."

The mural suggestion would have placed the mural on the west wall of the second floor of the adjacent County Courthouse.

That placement would have interfered with an additional door being put into the wall as part of the courthouse renovation.

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This historic mural will be hung in the County Administration Building administration building's second floor.

Placement of the mural was an important factor in the framing process, according to Kevin Autenrieb of the Max Academic Art Studios in Edwardsville.

The frame of the mural will match the wood trim in the new building.

"It would have been stupid to do that if they were going to put it in the courthouse," Autenrieb said.

Autenrieb will frame, mount and fresh-

en up some of the costs in the mural that have chipped or peeled a process that should take about three weeks.

The mural was painted in 1962 by Autenrieb's grandfather, Max.

The framing and restoration of the mural, which cost between \$2,500 and \$3,000, Mark Twain Bank has donated \$1,000 toward that cost, with the Bank of Edwardsville paying the remainder, Hamilos said.

## Pontoon rejects retirement benefits for village attorney

By Brian Henry  
Correspondent

Pontoon Beach is planning to add two employees but is in danger of losing one.

Village Attorney Keith Jensen several months ago expressed a desire to leave his post by issuing a letter of resignation, but it was not accepted by the village board.

Now that he has remained at his post, he is asking that he be re-appointed to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund. The IMRF stipulates that a lawyer must have worked 600 hours in a year to be eligible. Jensen said he puts in between 150 and 20 hours a week for the village.

"I've always put my interests second to Pontoon Beach," said Jensen to the trustees. "I have put in a lot of time on my own researching and handling legal questions."

"I think I have shown dignity

and respect and I can only hope that you do."

The Board of Trustees voted 4-2 to deny IMRF participation to Keith Jensen. Bob Abel and Lou Whittle were in favor of giving funding benefits to Jensen.

He does more work than that," said Abel. "I think it's a pretty good attorney and person."

Bob Douglas said he doesn't believe that Jensen devotes enough time to responsibilities related to the village.

"I don't think he puts 25 percent of his time toward the village," said Douglas. "He doesn't put in 600 hours a year for us."

"It was up to the Board of Trustees whether they think he works enough or not," said Mayor Glen Wilson.

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"It's not a good idea to have a party out there," said Mayor Wilson. Lou Whittle, a resident of that area, said: "There's been vandalism out there and I'm one of the people that was 'got' by them."

Twenty-four residents of the

area signed the petition, but the opposition might not be necessary because there's a chance the village won't get the land on which to create a park.

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## NEWS

## Hospital's top associate wins for the 'little things'

Linda McMurray, a patient transporter in radiology at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City, does a lot of little things that add up, according to her winning nomination for Associate of the Year. The award, sponsored by the Gilk family, is designed to recognize an associate who through his/her efforts and outstanding performance, conveys concern and excellence to patients, visitors and the SEMC staff.

According to Bob Gilk, presenter of the award, McMurray, who was nominated by a former patient, fit the description.

Her nomination states, "Linda transports stroke patients in their wheelchairs to independence, and she goes out of her way to do little things for patients to cheer them up."

She even helped lots of patients after they were home, the nomination states. "She would help them take a bath or wash their hair and bathe them in the shower. They would be there for one Christmas Day. Linda took care of patients for a couple of hours."

McMurray said she treats people the way she wants to be treated.

"You have to put yourself in the other person's shoes," she said. "Everyone gets crabby when sick, so you have to know how to treat people. I don't think everybody can do it. It takes a special kind of person."

McMurray was surprised by winning the award.

"I sure was tooted," she said. "I thought for sure Rich Dawes would win. I'm very proud of the award. Everybody who was nominated was so deserving. It is a real honor. I'm just glad I had the opportunity to stay at SEMC."

According to McMurray, she has grown up at SEMC, after starting in housekeeping 19 years ago.

"I only planned to stay for a year," said McMurray, a Madison native. "I didn't have a lot of money in the bank, so I asked for any kind of job they could give me."

A \$1,000 prize was presented to McMurray.

Other nominees for the Year nominees include: Eric Borg, Emergency Room; Dixie Bowman-Surgette, Patsy Callahan, Cancer Registry; Lynda Cunningham, Respiratory Therapy; Rich Dawes, Security; Mildred Harris, Extended Care; Lisa James, Critical Care; Joyce Jones, 5-Doctors; Melissa Jones, Switchboard; Walt Madel, Radiology; Brenda Malherbe, Home Health; Dan McPowell, Pulmonary.



Madison resident Linda McMurray transports patient Pauline Stephens of Granite City.

Services: Ed McIntyre, 3-Doctors; Lou Rodgers, Security; Dave Sheppard, Pulmonary Rehabilitation; and Wanda Watt, EKG.

## Syphilis worries health officials

Madison County had just one reported new case of syphilis in the second quarter of 1992, but a continued increase of the venereal disease in the St. Louis area has health authorities worried.

It is still on the rise here but, as far as in St. Louis, said Peter Tarby, vice president of community health programs with the Family Service and Visiting Nurse Association in Alton.

"Last year in Madison County, we had 16 cases all year. We have 11 so far this year and, unfortunately, of those, there have been congenital cases—mothers passed the disease to newborn infants," he said.

"Of the 11 cases reported this year, 10 occurred in the first three months of the year. The agency reported 16 cases in 1990 and seven in 1988."

Syphilis can cause blindness, stillbirth or death to newborns who receive it from their infected mothers.

It can also cause brain damage, heart disease, blindness and death in adults.

In the St. Louis area, there have been 35 cases of syphilis reported in the last six months but, as Tarby said, they are still an unavoidable risk.

Statewide, syphilis is on the rise, also, and Tarby said the AIDS epidemic has stopped people from focusing on other sexually transmitted diseases.

People don't think they're at risk. They trust their partner. Teenagers especially think they are invulnerable.

—Peter Tarby

cases. If you're exposed to syphilis, chances are that HIV (the AIDS virus) has been transmitted also.

Syphilis tends to be in the age range of late 20s to 30s and we believe there is some connection with drug use in the area," Tarby said.

People who exchange sex for drugs are at high risk along with those who have multiple sex partners.

"Abstinence is the best protection and, if not that, then monogamy and condoms," he said.

A first symptom of syphilis is a painless, reddish-brown sore on the mouth or sex organ lasting one to five weeks. The sore goes away but not the damage.

Second-stage symptoms appear six weeks to six months after the sore appears. They include a rash anywhere on the body and a flu-like feeling. These symptoms go away, but the syphilis remains until treated.

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## Starr top priority: U.S. enterprise zones

By Jeffrey Peyton  
Staff writer

Congressional candidate Mike Starr says his number one priority in Washington will be establishing a federal enterprise zone in Madison.

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Costello called Starr's offer to take a portion of his congressional salary to a business loan bank "nothing, more than an effort to buy political favor."

If my opponent were serious about this proposal, he would have made this gesture long ago, because he has been on the payroll for years," Costello said.

Costello said Starr's economic proposal was nothing new.

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## NEWS

## DCFS changes counting method in child-abuse cases

**Celebration** — The Combined Maintenance Division held its 40th anniversary celebration at the Afmy's Melvin Price Support Center in Granite City in June. At right, friends (from left) Margaret Eck, Ollie Derr, and Verka Lindner meet. In middle photo are Major Lawrence Landrum, Melvin Price Support Center executive officer, and Ollie Derr, master of ceremony, for the evening. At bottom left are Mr. and Mrs. Ray Daiggett. At bottom right, coworkers Clarence Hoppe, Verka Lindner, Margaret Eck and Valinda Henson celebrate.



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**IL.** — Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, facing a court order to reduce the number of abused children monitored by each state caseworker, is using an unusual method to help meet that goal.

It is changing the way it counts those child-abuse cases.

The agency says the changes is long over due. The DCF's case-counting methods are out of step with professional norms.

But critics say the changes merely will make the caseloads appear smaller, hiding the problem instead of solving it.

For example, some of that criticism is coming from within DCF. An internal document indicates that DCF's employees don't believe the new case-counting method will lower their caseloads, despite its stated purpose of doing just that.

The case-counting changes currently under way are part of the reform plan, which stems from a federal lawsuit against DCF.

The 1988 suit claims DCF has failed to protect abused children in particular. Individual DCF employees are assigned to counsel and monitor so many dysfunctional families that they can't adequately serve any of them.

DCF tentatively has settled the suit with a consent decree that calls for numerous changes in the department, including a reduction of employee caseloads to specified lower children-to-caseworker ratios.

In a DCF "implementation plan" issued in June, the agency says it will accomplish that by hiring more employees, contracting with others to private agencies, "specializing" duties among caseworkers and "standardizing" its case-counting practices.

In some instances, the new system counts only the children involved in abuse cases, without counting the families that also must receive counseling. In other cases, caseworkers count the families, regardless of how many children are in each family.

Many of the reportedly overburdened workers are faced with the same amount of work as

under the previous case-counting method, though the ratios look smaller on paper.

DCF Executive Deputy Director Mac Ryder noted that for every DCF caseworker, the individual has been out of step with professionally accepted standards, and even varied between different areas of the state.

"We did this so we could compete with other states," Ryder said. Standardization was critical; we needed a level playing field."

He said downstate regions, for example, had artificially inflated caseloads, while other regions better monitored in their natural homes, because downstate DCF regions counted those children and families as separate cases while Chicago offices counted only the children.

As a result, he said, the agency's Chicago offices — generally more crisis-ridden than the rest of the state — looked deceptively healthy when compared to the southern regions.

"If we had changed to a (counting) standard that no one had ever thought of before, we could be in trouble," said DCF's executive director, Dr. James Loftus, who is working on the reform implementation. "But our new standards reflect the way the field has traditionally counted cases."

He said even those who acknowledged the importance of uniform case-counting methods are questioning whether those new standards should be used to further caseload reductions in the reform agreement.

The problem, they say, is that the caseloads are "too high, regardless of which counting system is used."

In fact, many of the agency's own employees are making that

point, according to an internal DCF document.

The document, a collection of recommendations to management, based on management training sessions with DCF employees, contains the statement: "We are not cutting caseloads with BH." (BH stands for Suter, the name of the federal judge presiding over the resulting reform agreement.)

Doubts about the agency's sincerity in lowering caseloads crop up repeatedly in the internal document, which was compiled to let DCF's supervisors and administrators know what was on the minds of middle and lower-level employees.

"Management needs to get input from our direct service staff on the 'case counting issue,'" states the document. "Caseloads will not be reduced because of the new 'counting' system. Employees need to know this."

Another remark in the document states: "In regard to the change in the caseloads, count the actual questions should have been: 'How can we make the staff feel they have less of a caseload?'"

Despite those concerns, caseloads which are reduced on paper alone still will count toward the court-ordered reduction levels.

Benjamin Wolf, the American Civil Liberties Union attorney who headed the class-action lawsuit against DCF, defended the new counting system as a necessary improvement.

"Caseloads clearly will be lower" because of some new hiring, contracting with private agencies and other initiatives, Wolf said.

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## FAMILY



New senior members of National Honor Society at Granite City High School are: first row, from left, Sheila Mullen, Travis Terrell, Julie Goclan, Marc Patton, Ben Hicks, Steve Lubak, Bill Ribbing, Rudy Laufa, Patton, Jason Ivie, Anne Hewlett. Third row, Mike Davis, Beth Rapoff, Shawn Odum, Leslie Laycock, Stacie Ahlers, Ann Logan, Staci Johnson. Not present for picture were: Bill Clark, Donna Delay and Kirsten Yobky.



More new Senior members of National Honor Society at Granite City High School are: first row, from left, Dustin Wilkinson, Jason Hall, Kim Holloway, Melinda Stephens, Kathy Schmiedek, Sunil Kumar. Second row, left to right, Jeremy Reuter, Amanda Westbrook, Wendy Blanton, Tara Wyatt, Pat Jesse, Tim Ozanich. Third row, left to right, Regan Hildebrand, Heather Dohage, Carrie Heck, Dana Dresch, Amanda Gudac, Bryan Welsel.

## 48 are initiated by National Honor Society at GCHS

The National Honor Society of Granite City High School recently held its initiation ceremony in the school cafeteria.

During the program, five seniors and forty-three juniors were initiated. The seniors initiated were Erine Gauthier, Heather Gregoire, Amy Lubshoff, Roy Simeone and Amanda Witter.

The juniors initiated were Stacie Ahlers, Wendy Blanton, Margaret Christiansen, William Clark, Mike Davis, Donna Dresch, Julie Goclan, Amanda Gudac, Jason Hall, Celia Heck, Anne Hewlett, Benjamin Hicks, Regan Hildebrand, Kimberly Holloway, Jason Ivie, Tara Wyatt, Jessie Staci Johnson, Amy Krakowicki, Sunil Kumar, Leslie Laycock, Ann Logan, Steven Lubak, Sheila Mullen, Shawn Odum, Timothy Ozanich, Laura Patton, Steve Lubak, Bill Ribbing, Jeremy Reuter, William Ribbing, Jennifer Rudy, Kathryn Schmedake, Rebecca Schwab, Melinda Stephens, Suzanne Stuart, Amanda Terrell, Bryan Welsel, Amanda Terrell, Dustin Wilkinson, Donna Delay and Kirsten Yobky.

Tara Wyatt, and Kirsten Yobky. To become a member of the National Honor Society, a student must meet certain requirements. A student must display qualities of leadership, scholarship, character and service, by participating in school and community activities, along with maintaining a 4.25 grade-point average.

The program was called to order by President Stephen Schmitz. The national anthem was sung by senior member Nikki Petrillo. Principal David Painter and Superintendent Gilbert Walmsley then welcomed the initiates and guests.

Entertainment was provided by the senior members of the National Honor Society: Jennifer Basuel and Christopher McMillan played piano solos. Accompanied by Christopher McMillan, Kathleen Reader sang a vocal solo, and the NHS Pep Band performed.

Erin Ritter gave an original orientation about the history and meaning of the National Honor

Society. Introductory remarks were made by Mary Perdue Tapp.

The initiates were presented with their certificates by Painter and NHS advisor Andrew Yurko.

Painter then welcomed new members and addressed them on the importance of maintaining the high standards of the organization. The ceremony concluded with announcements by Yurko and a reception.

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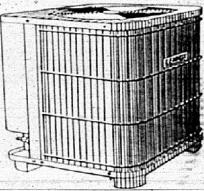
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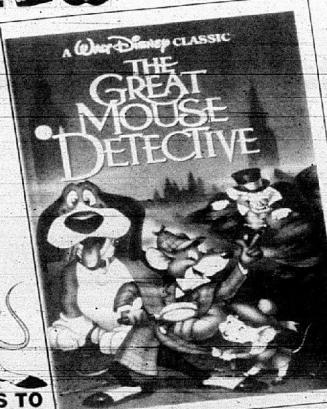
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## FAMILY

Granite City Sunday Home Journal—July 19, 1992

### Austin attends pharmacy institute

Paul Austin, son of Carmel and Evelyn Austin of Granite City, attended a summer institute held during the week of June 21 at the St. Louis College of Pharmacy in St. Louis.

A limited number of students were selected on the basis of academic merit achieved in high school, counselor recommendations and motivation to pursue a career in pharmacy.

The purpose of the institute was to provide information about pharmaceutical education and career opportunities.

The program included lectures and laboratory sessions conducted by members of the college's faculty.

There were visits to community and also pharmaceutical manufacturing companies to observe the roles played by pharmacists in a variety of career positions. The program was also designed to enable students to experience campus life in general.

The program was under the direction of Dr. Donald Rickert, dean of student affairs and admissions, and the admissions office.

Austin will be a senior this fall at Granite City High School.

The St. Louis College of Pharmacy is a private, independent, non-denominational founded 125 years ago. It is the only college of pharmacy within 25 miles of St. Louis and has an enrollment of 750 students.

### Earns bachelor degree

Tammy Sue LeVault of Granite City received a bachelor of arts degree at Aurora University. LeVault is a biology major and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marty LeVault of Granite City.

Aurora University celebrated its 99th annual commencement on May 31.



(Photo by S. Page Patterson)

**Preceptor of year** — St. Elizabeth Medical Center Vice President of Nursing Marti Hogan, left, surprises Lisa James, critical care registered nurse on the Critical Care Unit, with the Preceptor of the Year award.

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### Pontoon Baptist Church celebrates 30th year

*Lucile Martin covers the Poontoon Beach scene for the Press-Register. Details can be contacted at 631-6731.*

Members of the Pontoon Baptist Church celebrated the 30th year Sunday, July 12, with a fellowship luncheon and a special service during the afternoon.

The program was by Ann Rainwater, Paul Stayduhar Jr. and Maxine Green. Rev. Ed Hart, pastor, gave the welcome and opened the program. Special music was presented by Dee Owens, The Brush-Arbor Trio, Linda French, Ann Rainwater, and Gary Chaney. Rev. Ed and Lynn Hart, Rev. Bill and Linda Rainwater, and Rev. and Mrs. Jim and Linda Montgomery, reflecting on the days when the church started as a mission in the basement of their home.

Other testimonies were given by Lucile Martin, one of the older members; Harold McBride, Paul A. Stayduhar, Rev. Bill Owen, Rev. Keith Stanford, Ralph and Juanita Craycraft, Chaney, Louise Haynes, Jessie

Champion and Rodger Wilson.

Each member received a copy of the history of the church prepared by Rev. Ed Hart, Maxine Green and the church secretary, Judy Smith. Others attending the service and luncheon were Kim Wilson and children, Adrienne, Bobbi and Sarah; Chaney, Darlene; Buttrey of East Alton; Leslie Chaney, Clara Owens of Godfrey, Dee Owens, Nora Copeland, One Pike, Pete and Lucy Adams, and grandsons, Jamie, Fletcher and Michael. St. Ann's Mo. Glen Wilburn of St. Louis; Ben and Lula Frost and granddaughter, Junior and Nancy Hedger; Helen Stanford; Ralph and Juanita Craycraft, Chaney, Louise Haynes, Jessie

### Local students graduate at Illinois State University

A total of 2,055 students at Illinois State University have completed requirements for the bachelor's degree at the end of the 1992 Spring Session.

Announcement of the names of spring graduates are delayed until after the semester so that the offices of academic affairs and records can verify the completion of academic requirements for graduation.

Illinois State University bachelor's degree recipients are:

In Madison County: Robert Geoffrey Hinschedt, Stacey J.

Kurt, Malcolm Lloyd McCallum, Theresa Lynn Siekmann, Terry Ray, Vicki Sue Stigall, Maria

Tamara Pawloski, James Joseph Prati, Michelle Lynn Reimann, Timothy Louis Vosse, Christy Lynn Waddington, Pamela Sue Wilhite, and Kim Wisniewski, all of Belleville.

Cathy Maria Ferrel, Renetta Sonnette Mosley, and Martin Luther Williams, all of East St. Louis.

Mark Gerard Weilbacher of Millstadt.

Theodore Joseph Trentman of O'Fallon.

and wife, Eddie Dalton, Mary Owen, Etta Rothmeyer, Sylvia Massman, Bonham and Betty Barr, Roy King, Connie McBride, Frank Lindsey, Mrs. Fowler and Shirley White.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben (Lula) Frost have their granddaughter, Amber Frost of Orange, Texas, visiting them for two weeks.

Debra Grammer and daughters Betsy and Deanna and Dean Boswell are visiting their mother Linda and Don Boswell of Lily Court.

Stella Montgomery, a former resident, now of Alpache Junction, Ariz., is visiting her children and their families and friends on a two-week vacation.

The "Intercession," singing Gospel group, will be in concert Saturday evening, July 16, in the Pontoon Baptist Church, beginning at 7 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

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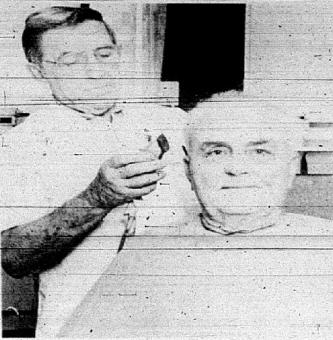
## FAMILY



The Rev. Don Stratton visits the Skilled Nursing Unit at St. Elizabeth Medical Center to play the piano and sing.



Dorothy Vaughn, of Granite City, has volunteered at St. Elizabeth Medical Center for about three years, but it was just during the last six months she began playing piano for the patients.



Emerald Dawes, a retired barber and former alderman in Granite City, visits the Skilled Nursing Unit and the Kettleer Center once or twice a week to provide haircuts at no cost to the patients.



If Larry Raymer of Collinsville can make people smile for a little while, he feels he has done his job at a volunteer in the Skilled Nursing Unit.

## Volunteers in Skilled Nursing Unit share their special talents

Dorothy Vaughn looks up occasionally from the piano keys and smiles at the small audience of patients gathered in the dayroom on the Skilled Nursing Unit at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

A piano sitting in a wheelchair across the room等着 for the nurse. "See if she'll play the Mischa Waltz," he said. "It's one of my favorites."

As Vaughn begins playing the requested tune, tears gently stream down the man's face. "She just wants to get these people out of their rooms and bring some music to their lives," Vaughn said. "I really enjoy touching others and helping them remember the good times of their lives. Music does that."

Vaughn, of Granite City, has volunteered at SEMC for about three years, but it was just during the last six months she began playing piano for the patients.

"I was looking around the unit, after they remodeled, when I noticed the piano in the dayroom. I just have the thing all wrapped up to a piano and presented the piano then, before I knew it, I was playing a song," Vaughn said.

"When I looked up, Sister Stephanie was stand-

ing beside me. She wondered if I could play for the patients sometime, and I've been here ever since."

Vaughn has had no formal musical training or piano lessons, but she keeps her eyes to read music. Yet she plays waltzes and old standard love songs with the fervor of a polished pro.

Vaughn has loved the piano since she was a child.

"I used to sit beside my aunt when she played. I just loved to watch her," Vaughn said.

A few years ago, I got a piano at a sale at St. Mary's Church for \$50 and stored it in my basement. Then, each time I went downstairs to do laundry, I'd sit down and peek a little.

That peeking a little was the beginning of a musical venture that would enable Vaughn to touch many lives.

Now, Vaughn has a play list (all by ear) of more than 30 songs she carries with her. Most of the songs are nostalgic or hymns. They are her favorites, and the patients really like them.

Once a week, she visits SEMC and shares the joy of music with patients.

"I figure if my music makes someone tap their

finger or smile, it is worth it. And even for those who aren't able to come to the dayroom and listen, hopefully they can hear the music in their rooms somehow."

It's no surprise patients on the unit say "hats off" to SEMC volunteer Emerald Dawes because he can't cut their hair with them on.

As an SEMC Volunteer, Dawes, a retired barber and former alderman in Granite City, visits SEMC and the Kettleer Center once or twice a week to provide haircuts at no cost to the patients. He also goes to patients' homes if they aren't able to leave.

"I just feel I have been blessed with good health for all of these years. So I decided to help others," Dawes said.

"I can remember when many of these people were strong, young and healthy — many I remember when I used to cut their hair in my shop. Now, they are ill and some unable to get out of bed. I just hope I can make them feel good about themselves."

Dawes says he prays for the patients while he cuts their hair. "He talks to them, mostly about politics and their families, and he listens to their

stories."

"I enjoy visiting with each patient, and I really appreciate the ones who work on the Skilled Unit," Dawes said. "It just feels good to know you are doing something for someone. That's really why I volunteer."

Larry Raymer, of Collinsville, has been entertaining patients at SEMC for about a year. He plays the guitar and his guitar, and singing.

"I can make people smile for a little while. I feel I've done my job. But I must say, it's a release for me, too. It makes me happy to make them happy. Isn't that a song?" he teases and picks up his guitar.

"I began volunteering on SEMC when his mother-in-law was a patient last year. He brought the guitar to her room and sang to her."

Then, the idea mushroomed. People left notes on his mother-in-law's door asking him to come to their room and sing to them, too.

"Music is a universal language. I feel God gave

me this talent to share with others. I guess it's my mission," Raymer said.

"I've had moments with some patients and their

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## Surprise baby shower held

Kathy Dohnal covers the Madison-Venice scene for the Press-Record Journal. She can be contacted at 877-1096.

A surprise baby shower for Joan Hartwick was held at 6 p.m. July 10 at the home of her parents, Joe and Rose Kryztopp.

The traditional blue and pink theme was used, and a buffet lunch was served. Joan was assisted in opening her gifts by her daughter, Jennifer.

Others in attendance were June Hartwick; Victoria Kryztopp; Angela and Sara Kromraai; Debbie Kryztopp; and Michael, Lynne, William, and Jennifer and Ann Kryztopp; Helen Kryztopp; Maryann Freymann; Renae Winterbottom; Demie Echhoff; JILL Winterbottom; Mary Jo Troske; Virginia Winterbottom; Jim Rennard; Kathy Dohnal and Linda, Michelle, Miracela, Rita King; Denise Jackson.

A farewell party was held for Carlene Hartwick on Saturday, July 12 at Ralph and Dorothy Carlene's. Carlene worked at Gilks for 13 years and began a new job in the mayor's office in Madison.

The party was hosted by her former associates. Flowers and gifts were presented to the honoree and after dinner cake was



Kathy Dohnal

served.

Attending were Teri Lake and Whitney; Dave Moulton; Mary Ann Pare; Tammy Jordan; June and Jim Kryztopp; Vicki and Ballew; Mary Lou Dohnal; Kathy Dohnal; Rick and Toni Shabe; Janna Holloway and Kelsy; Al and Renee Ratkewicz and Susan.

Two birthday parties were held recently at Lisa Soles' Home Daycare. Whitney Lake celebrated her fifth birthday and Terri Soles turned 10.

Everyone enjoyed swimming and playing games which included clown bean bag, crawling race and egg toss. Refreshments were served consisting of cupcakes, cake and punch.

Others in attendance were Joshua and Jessie Soles; Jimmy King, Kendra Byrd, Nicholas Richardson and Ryan Faulkner.

On July 13, Carlene Hartwick

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## Area servicemen receive training, new assignments



Bruce Reese

## Military

## David Rockwell

Naval Air Traffic Control Officer David P. Rockwell, with his wife, Michelle, is the daughter of Ronald and Cathy Bailey of Granite City, recently graduated from Air Traffic Controller School.

During the course at the Naval Air Traffic Control Training Center, Memphis, Tenn., students receive basic control tower and radar control training. Studies include aviation weather, flight data, ground

and local control, basic radar, radio communications, navigation aids, flight planning, aeronautical charts and meteorology. Students also receive the technical training necessary to receive Federal Aviation Administration certification.

The 1987 graduate of McGuirey High School, Claysville, Pa., joined the Navy in February 1990.

**David Hale**  
Naval Air Traffic Control Officer 2nd Class David R. Hale, son of Ernest L. and Ermel E. Hale of Granite City, is in the Persian Gulf aboard the guided missile frigate USS Robert G. Bradley, homeported in

Charleston, S.C. It is mid-way through a six month deployment. USS Robert G. Bradley is supporting U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf and is operating with coalition forces from Great Britain and France. Recently, Hale participated in Exercise Nautical Swimmer with the Royal Saudi Naval Forces. The exercise included Maritime Interdiction Force Boarding Team Training, damage control demonstrations, personnel exchanges, communication training and anti-air gunnery exercises.

Hale is a 1981 graduate of Granite City South High School.

## Bruce Reese

Airman Bruce R. Reese II has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

During the six weeks of training the airman studied Air Force mission organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the son of Bruce R. and Brenda K. Reese of Granite City. His wife, Charlotte, is the daughter of Danny Dawson and Wymona Hughes of Granite City.

The airman is a 1990 graduate of Granite City Senior High School.

## Raymond Grieve

Airman Raymond A. Grieve has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied Air Force mission organization, and customs and received special training in human relations.

Grieve is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Grieve of Madison. He is a 1989 graduate of Madison High School, Alton.

## Kurt Hodges

Navy Seaman Apprentice Kurt L. Hodges, son of Kelly C. and Barbara K. Hodges, both of Granite City, recently completed the Cryptologic Technician Communications Course.

During the course at Naval Technical Training Center Corry Station, Pensacola, Fla., students are trained in the operation and maintenance of radio printer communications.

The course centers around cryptographic equipment operating techniques, development of teletypewriter operator skills and message format preparation. Message delivery procedures, communications security, organization, systems, logs and files are also included.

The 1989 graduate of Granite City High School joined the Navy in October 1991.

## Jonathan Billick

Johnathan S. Billick of Granite City has joined the U.S. Army.

According to his recruiter, Staff Sergeant Michael J. Gandy, U.S. Army Recruiting Station Chicago, Jonathan Billick has received the Army's written guarantee that he will receive training in the job specialty of his choice, Petroleum Supply Specialist.

Pvt. Billick, who is a 1991 graduate of Granite City Senior High School, will take basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C. and advanced individual training at Fort Lee, Va. He reported for duty June 10.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur G. Billick of Granite City.

## Robert Jaycox

Marine Pvt. Robert B. Jaycox, son of Charles E. and Suzanne M. Jaycox of Granite City, recently completed recruit training.

During the training cycle at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, recruits are taught the basics of battlefield survival, introduced to typical military daily routines, and personal and professional standards.

A Marine recruit participates in an active physical conditioning program and gain proficiency in a variety of military skills including first-aid, rifle marksmanship and close-order drill. Teamwork and self-discipline are emphasized throughout the cycle.

Pvt. Jaycox is a 1991 graduate of Granite City High School. He joined the Marine Corps in March 1992.



Raymond Grieve

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# Sports

Section B

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## Another tough loss

Triplets flat; get nipped by Alton, 3-2

By Brian Henry  
Correspondent

Slumps are common in baseball, they usually hit a few players at a time.

But when an entire team goes through a stretch like this, it's uncommon. Especially when it's the Triplets, who are still trying to shake off the effects of their three losses in the Kenny International baseball tournament held in Evansville last weekend.

Alton's Shawn Boschert brought no relief as he threw a complete game two-hitter as Post 426 nipped Tri-City 3-2 at Gordon Moore Park on Thursday.

What makes things worse is that Boschert had as many hits as he gave up.

"We're not playing well right now," said Granite City coach Gus Lignoul. "We haven't hit well in the last couple of weeks. It's not just the meat of the order, but from top to bottom we're not hitting."

After the game, manager Ralph Burnett, frustrated with his team's recent play, pulled his team aside and held an emotionally charged meeting which lasted 45 minutes.

"We need to play with more enthusiasm," said Lignoul. "We're playing not to lose instead of playing to win."

The Triplets (20-9 overall, 13-4

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| Reeves        | 3         | 0        | 0        | 0        | Doyle         | 3         | 0        | 1        | 0        |
| Marshall      | 2         | 1        | 0        | 0        | Van Buskirk   | 2         | 1        | 0        | 0        |
| Docherty      | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0        | Thompson      | 3         | 0        | 0        | 0        |
| Corliss       | 1         | 0        | 0        | 1        | Boschert      | 2         | 1        | 0        | 0        |
| Hilldrith     | 2         | 0        | 0        | 0        | Patton        | 2         | 1        | 0        | 0        |
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**Alton 3, GRANITE CITY 2**

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in league play), scored both of the runs that kept Tri-City winning without benefit of a hit. The only thing that kept Tri-City in the game was Alton's inability to handle the baseball.

With one out, Butch Van Buskirk grounded to short, but the ball was dropped and catcher Dan Osborne threw it into right field. With Van Buskirk at second, Mike Docherty grounded to third, but Pat Keith's wild throw allowed Van Buskirk to score and Docherty reached third. Docherty scored on John Cozair's sacrifice fly.

The fifth inning proved to be the most critical as Tri-City left



Drake Marshall  
brilliant in defeat

the bases loaded in the top of the frame, but Alton strung together three hits and scored three runs.

At the bottom of the Triplet order reached base to start the fifth. Walks to Cozair and Mark Patton sandwiched around Chris Hilldrith reaching on an error loaded the bases. But Lee Reeves popped up a first-pitch, Wilson popped back to the mound, forcing Cozair, and Ryan Reeves struck out looking to kill the threat.

"We get bases loaded, nobody

out, and the top three hitters coming up," said Lignoul. "We couldn't get one past the pitcher. There's three ways you can't get a run home with the bases loaded and we did all three."

Alton's three hits from the bottom of their order in the fifth, but they got different results. Boschert doubled off the fence in left and Keith singled to put runners on second and No. 9 hitter Mike Sholai singled up the middle to plate Boschert.

Drew Munson attempted to bunt the runners over. Pitcher Drake Marshall fielded the bunt and threw to first, which was off. His throw was late and the bases were loaded again. Keith scored on a passed ball to tie the game, and a sacrifice fly by Mike Godar brought home the winning run.

You have to be 100 percent sure you can get that guy at third base if you're going to make the play," said Lignoul. "It's not going to be a passed ball and a sacrifice fly. That's what hurts you."

Outside of the fifth, Marshall was just as stingy as Boschert. He struck out nine and walked none.

"Drake pitched another good game for us," said Lignoul. "That's something we had had. That's the pitching. We need the hitting to come around."



(Staff photo by Pam Doepeke-Hurd)

Tri City manager Ralph Burnett is searching for some answers. The Triplets had a poor showing against Alton and lost 3-2.

## Juniors set to do battle in district playoffs

By Brian Henry  
Correspondent

This year's Mickey Mantle State Tournament, to be held in Granite City from July 22-25 will have a decided local flavor.

Four teams from the District 22 junior legion will join teams from six other regions to vie for the state championship.

The Junior Triplets are already in the tournament, in the championship playoffs, and this weekend the other three teams to join them will be determined during the first round at Hoppe Field in Edwardsville.

Granite City will play the last game of the tournament on Saturday. They'll face the No. 3 team from the Waukegan region from Game 5 at 8:00 at Varsity Field.

The rest of the schedule at Varsity Field is as follows:

Game 1: Springfield No. 2 vs. Metro No. 1 (9:00 a.m.)

Game 2: Crystal Lake, Ill. vs. Metro No. 3 (11:45 a.m.)

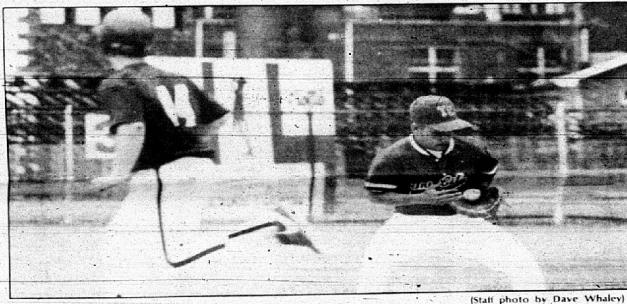
Game 3: Rantoul vs. Plainfield (1:30 p.m.)

Game 4: Springfield No. 1 vs. Metro No. 2 (3:15 p.m.)

Game time will be the same for Thursday, but the matchups will be announced after the first day.

The tournament is double-elimination, but with a twist. After the first two rounds, the teams remaining are re-bracketed, and the tournament goes on from there.

"No team will play more than



Brian Kohler and his teammates should be in good shape to defend their District 22 crown this weekend at Hoppe Park in Edwardsville.

on more game than the other teams," said tournament organizer Doug Wintefeld. "It's not a typical double-elimination tournament, but those are the rules."

Some things will have to be sorted out before play begins on Wednesday. It won't be known until Sunday night which teams will be coming down from Springfield or which team will make it from the metro area.

The biggest problem we have

(See Juniors Page 4B)

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## More medals for Kirgan at PSG

By Mike Kelly

Staff writer

Allen Kirgan and the Granite City Judo Club had another impressive showing at the Prairie State Games last weekend in Champaign.

Kirgan sent six qualifiers to the games and produced six place finishers. Among those were three champions. That's Kirgan's impressive record. In the two short years, his judo club has produced five national champions and 13 national place finishers.

"Don't lay all the credit on my shoulders," Kirgan said. "Give it to the kids. They did a excellent job against superior competition from all over the country. The Prairie State Games was the icing on the cake."

We sent nine kids to Champaign last year and only placed five. This year we got everyone through."

Katie Scott, who has a desire to join the Granite City High girls' judo team, after her brother led the way by winning the Scholastic Women's heavyweight division. Heather Jones won the Scholastic Women's 132-150 pound division and Paul Jones won the Scholastic Men's 130-150



Allen Kirgan  
breeds talent

point division.

Rick Jones finished third in the Scholastic Men's 85-100 pound division. John Venne took third place in the Scholastic Men's 130-150 point division and Nick Campbell finished third in the Scholastic Men's heavyweight division.

"It was real proud of the kids," Kirgan said. "This was a great experience for them. Having this kind of success at the games will

give the kids an incentive to build on this once school starts next month."

But how much longer will that incentive last? There's rumors floating around that the Prairie State Games may go out of business due to a lack of funding by local sponsors.

"That's would be a tragic loss for the kids," Kirgan said. "The Prairie State Games gives them something to look forward to this summer. It keeps them away from the bad influences on the street. Not having the Games will place a lot of spare time on their hands."

Scott agrees.

"It doesn't for the games. I wouldn't have achieved the success I have in judo," she said. "Now, I can tryout for the wrestling team this winter and the coaches will be great. I will have to give me a serious look."

"He'll know I mean business and that I'm out there for a purpose."

Meanwhile, Kirgan and his troupe will cherish their medals.

"What these kids have done speaks highly for Granite City and the state's southern region," he said. "We've got some great athletes around here. These medals are personal rewards for all their hardwork."

## Southern women win gold at PSG

By Scott Marion  
Staff writer

The two goalkeeper system paid off in a big way for the Southern Region women's scholastic soccer team at last week's Prairie State Games.

Christie Miller (Collinsville High School) and Stephanie Kult (Granite City) combined to hold North Shore to a 1-1 tie in the penalty kicks in Sunday's championship game at Champaign. Their teammates scored on three penalty kicks to give Southern a 4-3 sudden-death win and the gold medal.

"When you have two of the best keepers in the state, you want them both in there," said coach Gene Briggs, who played keeper and Miller had a half chance in each of four games.

"A lot of our girls have been in penalty kick situations to decide advancement to state. I was pretty confident in Christie and Steph."

Southern's win marks the first time that a team other than North Shore has won the women's scholastic title since Prairie State soccer competition began in 1985. For Briggs, it put an end to a long string of second-place finishes.

"Two years in a row, we were tied for the best record in our bracket, but the other team advanced to the regional game through a shrinking process," said Briggs, an assistant boys soccer coach at Collinsville.

"We wanted the opportunity to show we can win the gold."

"It's scoreless—minutes,

the game came down to a best-

of-five series of penalty shots.

Briggs has mixed feelings about the format.

"You want to decide the game

on the field, but you don't want to play forever," he said. "You have to get a winner somehow."

After North Shore missed its penalty kick, Christie Miller (Collinsville) scored on the first shot for Southern. Neither team scored in the second round.

North Shore scored on its third shot and Miller (Collinsville) gave Southern a 2-1 lead. North Shore was stopped again in round four, and Lauren Nelson (Collinsville) clinched the win for Southern with her goal.

"There's a little pressure (in the Prairie State Games), but it's not as bad as you might say for her role in Southern's victory."

"We're used to this," McHerr said. "We each took 15 (penalty kick) shots in the super-sectional game (won by Collinsville)."

The biggest problem for the goalkeepers may have been the wet field, after rain Saturday night and Sunday morning.

"The mud was awful," Miller

said. "Down there (near the goal) the ball just stops."

Other members of the scholastic team were:

Jennifer Herberts and Ste-

phanie Juddkins from Collinsville.

Holly Farnsworth, Julie Goclak, Ginger Henson, Kami Kessel and Suzanne Stuart from Granite City.

Diane Brown from O'Fallon.

Carrie Bechtold, Carrie

Bechtold, Lisa Hicks and Mar-

cy Jacobs from Alton.

Kim Jacobs from Roxana.

Alane Arnold from

Edwardsville.

Collinsville's Caryn Chasteen

and Deana Wallace were the assistants.

"We have a very deep team," Briggs said. "Whoever starts on the field, we have people on the bench who can go in and do just as well."

"By the fourth match, we were starting to show some injuries and a little fatigue. The big

bench made a difference today."

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## Shootouts coming to metro east area

By Scott Marion  
Staff writer

For Dennis Schickedanz and Don Haida, it's never too early to start thinking about basketball.

Schickedanz and Haida, co-owners of the Granite City Basketball Superstars, which have scheduled nine shootouts in Illinois and St. Louis for the 1992-93 prep season.

"For the first time we're offering advance ticket reservations for any event," said Haida, who joined Superstars founder Schickedanz this year. "People can call me or Dennis, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 277-8367 to reserve a ticket."

The first event of the season will be the Salem Superstar Shootout on Dec. 5. East St. Louis Lincoln will play Belleville East in the featured game at 8:30 p.m.

### Juniors

(Continued from Page 1B)

right now is who's coming down, and Wintield. "At least we know what cities, but there are leagues like ours who won't tell you until the night before." The teams are going pretty well so far. "We've gotten the concessions set up and we've been working on the field, so we'll be ready to go," he said.

Before the state tournament commences, the Junior Triplits have one more hurdle to jump. They start defense of their District 22 title when they face Alton on Saturday at 1:30 at Hoppe Field.

No. 1 seed O'Fallon plays Cahokia at 10:00, No. 3 Belleville takes on Wood River at 4:00, and No. 5 Highland plays Edwardsville in the last game of the day at 7:00.

Semifinals are at 1:00 and 4:00 on Sunday. The championship game is at 7:00.



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The rest of the schedule at Salem includes:

- Saint Louis vs. Odin at 4 p.m.
- Carbondale vs. Louisville Ky. Male at 5:30
- Salem vs. Mount Vernon at 7:00

The Bi-State Battle, Dec. 19 at Edwardsville, will match Chicago King and Riverview Gardens of St. Louis. Both teams have been ranked No. 1 in various pre-season polls.

Chicago King will face St. Louis power Vashon in the St. Louis Superstar Shootout, Feb. 13 at Normal.

Springfield-Galtway and Chicago St. Louis, which expected to be among the top teams in Illinois, will play Feb. 20 in the Rockton Superstar Shootout at Hononegah High School.

Local teams in Superstar events include:

Lebanon, which will play Louisville North Clay Feb. 6 in the Eastern Illinois Shootout at Flores.

Madison, which will play Flora in the Eastern Illinois Shootout. The Trojans will play Vashon Feb. 2 at the Metro East Shootout in Madison.

Bethalto Civic Memorial, which will play Roosevelt of St.

Louis Doe, 10 at Edwardsville, Edwardsville, which will play Mount Vernon in the Bi-State Battle.

O'Fallon, which will play Massac in the Southern Illinois Shootout, Jan. 30 at Pigeonville.

Venice, which will play Hardin County Jan. 26 in the Superstar Spectacular at West Frankfort. The game will be played Feb. 2 at Madison.

Red Bud, which will play Christopher at West Frankfort.

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For more information, call Christopher at West Frankfort.



## FAMILY

## Births

## Kathleen Seim

Dan and Kathleen Seim of Granite City have announced the birth of their third child, a daughter.

Kathy Kathleen was born at 10 p.m. March 26, 1992, at Anderson Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds, 2 ounces, and joins Jeremy, 3, and Heather, 16 months.

Her maternal grandparents are David Davidson and Pat Davidson, both of Collinsville.

Gerhard Seim, Madison and Delta Seim of Collinsville are the paternal grandparents.

## Leah Hornberger

Adam and Kathy Hornberger of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Leah Jane was born at 4:41 p.m. April 19, 1992, at Anderson Hospital. She weighed 5 pounds, 6 ounces, and joins sister, Mallory.

Her maternal grandparents are John and Karen Hutchings of Granite City.

Adam and Jeanna Hornberger of Collinsville are the paternal grandparents.

## Alyssa Mendoza

David and Pamela Mendoza of Collinsville have announced the birth of their third child, a daughter.

Alyssa Marie was born at 10:39 a.m. April 26, 1992, at Anderson Hospital. She weighed 8 pounds, 2 ounces, and joins Amanda, 2, and David, 4.

John and Pat Deterring of Collinsville are the maternal grandparents; Josephine Gigo of Collinsville is the paternal grandmother.

The paternal grandparents are Ruben and Norma Mendoza of Granite City. Howard and Virginia Uptain of Dellwood, Mo., are the paternal great grandparents.

## Rebecca Zabawa

Richard and Rose Zabawa of Collinsville have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Rebecca Marie was born at 4:30 p.m. May 1, 1992, at Jewish Hospital in St. Louis. She weighed 5 pounds, 10 ounces.

Her maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Angel Fernandez of Collinsville.

Sylvia Zabawa of Granite City and her late Norbert Zabawa are the paternal grandparents.

## Alex Dilday

Mark and Slava Dilday of Granite City are parents of a boy born at 6:55 p.m. Sunday, May 10, 1992, at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis.

The infant has been named Alex. Matthew Dilday, he weighed 6 pounds and 5 ounces. The mother is the former Slava Kosk.

Maternal grandparents are Tony and Kathy Kristoff of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are William and Joyce Dilday of Granite City.

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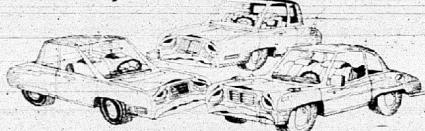


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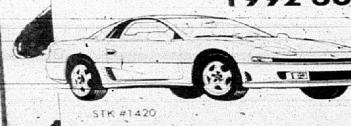
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